


IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of:  Ryan Smith Westberry <i>et al.</i>  Appln. No.: 10/588,689  Filed: June 29, 2007  For: <i>dUTP Based Compositions for Reducing Primer-Aggregate Formation during Nucleic Acid Amplification</i>	Confirmation No.: 9609  Group Art Unit: 1637  Examiner: Young J Kim  <u>CERTIFICATE OF ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION</u> I hereby certify that this correspondence, including listed enclosures, is being electronically transmitted in Portable Document Form (PDF) through EFS-Web via Hyper Text Transfer Protocol to the United States Patent and Trademark Office's Patent Electronic Business Center on:  Dated: <u>DECEMBER 4, 2008</u>  Signed: <u></u> Nicholas Garnett
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**RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

This response is timely submitted on or before December 5, 2008. It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including extension fees or other relief which may be required, or credit any overpayment and notify us of same, to Deposit Account No. 504616 (Our Order No.: 46998-105005; Our Docket No.: 186257/US).

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed September 5, 2008, please amend the subject application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2.

**Remarks** begin on page 5.